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## MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Application of Mark Brenton NOTTLE,

Ranald CAMERON, Luke Francis Sharkerley BEEBE, Alan Weaver BLACKSHAW and Hiroshi NAGASHIMA entitled "CRYOPRESERVATION OF OOCYTES AND EMBRYOS AND METHODS FOR PRODUCING ANIMALS

INVOLVING THE SAME"

Assignee: THE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND

and BRESAGEN LIMITED

Our Ref: **Q-79924** 

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Continuation Application of pending prior Application No. 09/856,689 (Conf. No. 3092) filed September 26, 2001, of Mark Brenton NOTTLE, CAMERON, Luke Francis Sharkerley BEEBE, Alan Weaver BLACKSHAW and Hiroshi NAGASHIMA entitled "CRYOPRESERVATION OF OOCYTES AND EMBRYOS AND METHODS FOR PRODUCING ANIMALS INVOLVING THE SAME"; which is 371 οf PCT/AU99/01048, filed a November 24, 1999.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and Abstract, and a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Small Entity Status Declarations (2) as filed in the prior application.

Also enclosed is a Preliminary Amendment and Information Disclosure Statement (accompanied by Form PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) - listing references cited either by the Examiner or Applicants during prosecution of the parent application).

A Petition for Three-month Extension of Time, along with payment of the appropriate fee, is being filed simultaneously herewith in Parent Application No. 09/856,689.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1632.



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Priority is claimed from:

Application No Filing Date Country

PCT/AU99/01048 November 24, 1999 WO

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The priority documents were submitted during national stage entry of the parent application.

Applicants claim benefit of small entity status accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

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## TOTAL FILING FEE

\$385.00

A check for the statutory fee, in the amount of \$385.00, is attached.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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